## **Newport Now**

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FALL 2006

## Message from the City

As we enter into Fall, the City is happy to advise that it has an industrial grade Leaf Vac to assist us in keeping our city clean. This machine is a large leaf vacuum that will mulch the leaves and shoot them into a large receiving bin attached to a dump truck.

This program requires your assistance! Designated areas for leaf removal will be posted several days in advance, and will require you to move your vehicles to allow easy access for the equipment.

Once an area is posted, you are permitted to rake or sweep your leaves to the gutter for removal; however, we ask that you be considerate of your neighbors.

Please call (859) 292-3637 or (859) 292-3638 if you have questions regarding leaf collection.





## **Recent Street Paving**

In a joint effort involving Campbell County Road Crews and Newport's Public Works Department, both Fredrick Street and Truesdale Street have been repaved. Crews are currently working on a section of Broadway Street, which is also scheduled to be paved.

## City Tax Bills Due at End of Month

By the time you read this, you should have received your City property tax bill. That bill includes the taxes levied by the City as well as the taxes levied by the Newport Board of Education. The due date for these bills is October 31. If the bills are paid late or are postmarked after October 31 a penalty of 10% and interest of 6% is immediately imposed. The penalty and interest charges are required by state law and must be charged, even if your bill was not delivered.

Your tax bill may have been sent directly to your mortgage company if your taxes are paid as a part of an escrow agreement. If you are supposed to receive your tax bill and you have not received it please call the City Finance Department at (859) 292-3660. The call may save you the added cost of penalties and interest for nonpayment.

#### **CITY ADMINISTRATION**

Thomas L. Guidugli Mayor

> Jerry R. Peluso Vice Mayor

> Jan Knepshield Commissioner

Beth Fennell Commissioner

Robbie Hall Commissioner

Thomas Fromme City Manager

William Ravenscraft Fire/EMS Chief

Gregory Engelman Chief Financial Officer



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#### **Halloween Events**

#### **FearFest on Haunted Hill**

**When:** Oct 26th, 27th & 28th

**Time:** 7pm – 11pm

Where: Veteran's Memorial Park

Additional parking at Bartlett Field

**Cost:** \$3.00 (activities below included)

#### Wicked Woods

Dare to enter the Creepy Trail deep in the Wicked Woods on Haunted Hill, where the soil gets soft and the trees come alive....Can you escape the screams? Not recommended for the very young or easily scared.

#### Hayride & Pumpkin Patch

Enjoy a Hayride back to our Pumpkin Patch, where kids are invited to walk through our pumpkin maze and collect Halloween goodies.

#### Bonfire, Refreshments & Goodies

Get toasty around our Bonfire, eating cookies and sipping hot cocoa.

#### Monsters on Monmouth

Dress up in your favorite costume and parade down Monmouth Street with the Newport High School Marching Band during the annual Monsters on Monmouth parade Sunday, October 29, 2006. Parade participants will assemble at A.D. Owens Elementary School at 12:00 p.m. The parade, which starts at 1:00 p.m., will travel down Monmouth Street, left on Fourth Street, right on Columbia Street and head to the Riverfront. Parade participants can go through the USS Nightmare for free. Snacks and punch will also be available on the plaza between the Aquarium and Newport on the Levee. Newport on the Levee will also be having their Leveeween with crafts and activities for costumed children after the parade.

For more information call Bob Yoder, Main Street Coordinator at (859) 292-3666 ext 107.

### **Aquarium presents Ghost of Pirate Cove**

The fourth annual Ghosts of Pirate Cove will take place at the Aquarium from Oct. 21 -31. Guests can experience a sunken ship in the shark tank, pirates, storytelling, activities, decorations and treasure, and a great offer: *Up to four kids (12 and under) in costume get in for \$5 with each adult paying full price from Oct. 21 - 31, 2006, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.* 

On Oct. 28 and 29, the Newport Aquarium will host Costume Contests for kids in the Duke Energy Theater at 3 p.m. With help from sponsors MIX 94.1 and FOX 19, this event complete with great prizes, promises to be another fun weekend at the Aquarium.



**USS Nightmare** 

America's Premier Haunted Steamboat returns to Newport's Riverfront for its the 15th terrorizing season. The popular Halloween attraction returns to the Newport Waterfront. Rated annually among the area's best haunted attractions, the USS Nightmare is constructed on a real steamboat and houses some of the river's most notorious spirits

For a calendar of event dates and times, ticket and discount information, 2006 highlights and much more visit www.ussnightmare.com.

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## **Transportation Projects**

Governor Ernie Fletcher's Executive Cabinet Secretary, Robbie Rudolph, and officials from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet announced that \$1,421,675 in KYTC bond funds have been awarded to Campbell County and eight cities within the county.

The bond funds for cities in Campbell County will be used in the following manner:

- Campbell County \$450,000 for the replacement of Uhl Road Bridge & resurfacing of Pleasant Ridge Rd.
- City of Newport \$300,000 for the resurfacing of Ninth Street
- City of Bellevue \$200,000 for the Covert Run Rehab Project
- City of Highland Heights \$110,000 for the Bon Jan Drive Rehab project
- City of Cold Springs \$65,000 for the resurfacing of various city streets
- City of Wilder \$60,000 for the resurfacing of Williams Way and Plum Street
- City of Alexandria \$110,000 for the resurfacing of various city streets
- City of Dayton \$80,000 for the Chateau Ridge Project
- City of Southgate \$46,675 for the resurfacing of various city streets





## I-471 Corridor Study

Public Open House for I-471 Corridor Study

Where: Highland Heights City Building, 175 John Hill Road, Highland Heights

When: October 26, 2006, 4:00 pm to 7:00pm

Help develop the transportation goals and objectives for the I-471 Corridor Area.

For more information visit <u>www.471study.org</u> or e-mail OKI at <u>info@417study.com</u>.



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## **Historic District Expansion Moves Forward**

The East Row local historic district has been expanded twice in 2006, and a third area will have a second reading by the Board of Commissioners later this month. This is the first time the historic district has been expanded since its creation in 1990. The Newport Historic Preservation Commission started the process with educational workshops in August 2005 after the compilation of a lengthy survey and expansion report. These workshops were hosted to introduce property owners to the district designation process, and discuss what designation means.

The first blocks incorporated were the 900 blocks of Park Avenue and Monroe Street in early May. These were the only Park and Monroe blocks in the basin area excluded from the original district. Monroe Street features Italianate residences, as well as buildings influenced by the Queen Anne style. The Park Avenue block boasts mosaic tiles. Oueen Anne sash and a unique row of homes featuring steep angular gables.



The E. Second Street corridor was approved in June. While the south 300 block had always been in the district, the north side of the block and the entire 500 block were not included. E. Second Street features Italianate and Queen Anne influenced homes that date from the 1870s through the early 1900s. The third expansion zone is to the west of the existing district, incorporating the western 500-700 blocks of Washington Avenue, as well as the 200 block of E. Fourth Street. Washington Avenue has an eclectic mix of high style buildings, small cottages and commercial structures, while E. Fourth Street contains one of the city's best clusters of high-style Civil War era buildings, including Greek Revivals and one of the city's oldest surviving buildings, a duplex built ca. 1845. In total, the expansions will incorporate an additional 130 properties into the historic district.

# Housing Authority of Newport

#### Moves to Monmouth Street

The administrative offices of the Housing Authority of Newport (HAN) has moved to its new location. If you need to reach or visit HAN, please see the contact information below:

#### **Housing Authority of Newport**

30 East Eight Street, Second Floor P.O. Box 72459 Newport, KY 41072-459 (859) 581-2533 www.nhaky.org

#### **Hours of Operation**

8:00 am - 4:30 pm Mon. - Fri.

The Housing Authority of Newport, Kentucky is committed to providing quality, affordable housing in a safe environment. Through partnerships with our residents and other groups, we will provide opportunities for those we serve to become self-sufficient.

#### **Executive Director**

Joseph Condit

#### **Board of Commissioners**

Susan Whitehead

Mayor Thomas Guidugli

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## **Business Spotlight:**

#### **Detroit Joe's**

115 East Ninth Street Phone: 859-261-5637 Fax: 859-261-5638

www.detroitjoesfinedining.com

On October 31, 2006, Mark and Marla Sandfoss will celebrate 20 years of operation at Detroit Joe's. The restaurant specializes in American cuisine including homemade soups, salads, entrees, desserts and signature items like the Whaler Sandwich and Yankee Pot Roast. Detroit Joe's also features steak, ribs, and seafood on its dinner menu. Additional parking for patrons is now available in the rear parking lot behind the restaurant.



**Lunch:** Monday through Friday 11:00 AM—3:00 PM **Dinner:** Friday through Saturday 4:00 PM—9:00 PM

## **Newport Business Association**

#### **Officers**

President Joe Jennings
Vice President Barbara Bonney
Secretary Bob Brewster
Treasurer Faye Wendel
Past President Tom Beiting

#### **Board Members**

Robbie Hall, Debbie Kayse, Jan Knepshield, JoAnne Maley, Jaimie Niemczura, Marvin Polinsky, David Stevens, Jim Wagner, Donna Watts, Donna Weddle, Sal Wertheim, and Mark Yelton.

#### **Upcoming Meetings:**

Wednesday, October 25, 2006 @ 7:15 AM
Newport on the Levee, Community Room
Mr. Michael Ruh, Jr., Esq. from Strauss & Troy, LPA will
be at the meeting to discuss the Legal Structure of Starting a
Business.

Wednesday, November 29, 2006 @ 7:15 AM Newport City Building, Multi-Purpose Room City of Newport Officials



## Clifton Neighborhood Sign Dedication

Mayor Guidugli joins several residents in celebrating the new Clifton Neighborhood sign.

## Farmer's Market Last Weekend of the Year

The Newport Farmers' Market is open on Saturday, October 29 at the public parking lot at 709 Monmouth Street. You can get fresh locally grown produce from 9 a.m. to noon.

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## Corpus Christi Senior Housing Project Open House

On Wednesday, October 11 the Housing Authority of Newport held an open house to celebrate the completion of the renovation of Corpus Christi Apartments. The three story senior living complex is located in the former Corpus Christi Church on Isabella Street. U.S. Senator Jim Bunning was the keynote speaker at the event; Senator Bunning was baptized at Corpus Christi and grew up in the neighborhood.

Corpus Christi is a historic landmark in Newport. Newport Mayor Guidugli, also a Newport Housing Authority board member, prompted the Newport Housing Authority to preserve the building and provide an opportunity for area seniors to retire in their neighborhood.

Corpus Christi Parish was founded in 1844 to meet the needs of the growing Catholic population in Newport. The 30 Catholic families found Newport a welcoming community. The lot for the Corpus Christi church was located north of this site between Patterson and Isabella. It was donated by a non-Catholic, which is a surprising fact in light of the anti-Catholic sentiment prevalent during this period of our history.

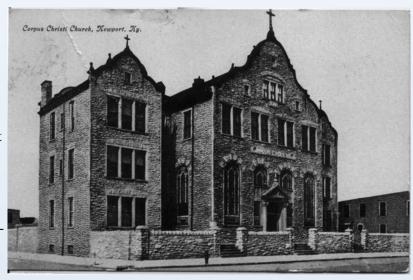
The cornerstone was laid in August of 1844, and the building was dedicated on June 15, 1845. With the influx of Catholic immigrants in the late 1840s Corpus Christi church had grown to over 100 families. By the 1870s the number of Catholic families had grown so large in Newport that two new Parishes were formed out of Corpus Christi Parish: St. Stephan and Immaculate Conception.

The original site of Corpus Christi faced several natural disasters. Storm damage in 1861 and flooding in 1882, 1883 and 1884. The floods of the late 1800s were a continual challenge for the Corpus Christi Parish, and a new location was sought for the Church outside of the floodplain.

In 1902, the corner stone was laid on this site for the "new" Corpus Christi Church. This church building was dedicated 103 years ago this month and originally served as a church, school and rectory.

This stone building also faced its own challenges. In 1937, flood waters reached seven feet high into the church, and in 1974 fire damaged the church, but in both cases repairs were made to the church.

Corpus Christi Church has a long and proud history in Newport. The roots of Newport Central Catholic High School trace back to the old Corpus Christi High School. Also, the Brighton



Center can trace its founding to Rev. Bill Neuroth of Corpus Christi Church. Now, this strong stone building enters its second century with a proud new mission providing housing to our senior citizens.

For information regarding application for Corpus Christi Apartments, contact Peggy Bramble at 581-2533, ext. 302.

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## Corpus Christi Senior Housing Project Open House (continued)









## Newport Commons Groundbreaking Held October 11, 2006

Brighton Properties is proud to present Newport Commons, providing 12 one-bedroom units of safe, quality, affordable rental housing for persons with physical disabilities. Newport Commons will be located on Ann Street and Roberts Street. Funding for this project was graciously made available by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Section 811 program, the Housing Authority of Newport, Newport Housing Development Corporation, and the City of Newport. The project was designed by Hub & Weber Architects and will be built by Nexus Construction. Please call Brighton Properties at (859) 491-8303 for more information.

## Newport's Fall Litterfest

The City of Newport, Kentucky will be holding its fall Litterfest event on October 28, 2006 through November 5, 2006. Residents of the City are encouraged to participate by joining in and disposing of old items with a fall clean up of their property. Collected items can be discarded at the City's Garage located at 1020 East 9th Street. During this event the Garage will remain open to accept collected items between the hours of 8:00 am. & 6:00 pm. Elderly or handicapped residents who require assistance disposing of items can call the City at (859)-292-3670.





City of Newport
998 Monmouth Street
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## **Mark Your Calendars**

Date	Event	Start Time	Location
October 25	Newport Business Association Meeting	7:15 AM	Newport on the Levee
October 26	NCAC Candidates Night Out—School Board Candidates	7:00 PM	Newport HS Cafeteria
October 30	Newport Board of Commissioners Meeting	7:00 PM	City Building
November 7	Election Day	N/A	Various
November 9	NCAC Meeting	7:00 PM	City Building
November 13	Newport Board of Commissioners Meeting	7:00 PM	City Building
November 27	Newport Board of Commissioners Meeting	7:00 PM	City Building
November 29	Newport Business Association Meeting	7:15 AM	City Building
December 11	Newport Board of Commissioners Meeting	7:00 PM	City Building
December 14	NCAC Meeting	7:00 PM	City Building